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SUBJ: KRUGER REFUSES TO MEET BLACK PARENT'S ASSOCIATION,  
EXTENDS SECURITY MEASURES

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1. PRESS OF AUGUST 11 QUOTES JIMMY KRUGER, MINISTER OF JUSTICE, AS SAYING HE WILL NOT MEET WITH BLACK PARENT'S ASSOCIATION (BPA) CHAIRMAN, DR. MANAS BUTHELEZI. BUTHELEZI HAD OFFICIALLY REQUESTED MEETING AFTER ACCEPTING A LIST OF DEMANDS FROM SOWETO STUDENT LEADERS LAST WEEK. DEMANDS INCLUDED DROPPING OF HOMELANDS CITIZENSHIP, FREE HOLD OWNERSHIP OF LAND BY URBAN BLACKS, DROPPING JOB RESERVATIONS, FORMATION OF BLACK TRADE UNIONS AND STOPPING POLICE PATROLS OF SCHOOLS. KRUGER SAID REASON HE WOULDN'T MEET

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BUTHELEZI WAS THAT HE "WAS NOT SATISFIED" THAT HE

REPRESENTED PARENTS OR WAS "DEMOCRATICALLY ELECTED". HE ALSO REFERRED TO "UNREST BY EXECUTIVE MEMBERS" OF BPA, CITING STRONGLY WORDED CRITICISM OF GOVERNMENT AND WHITES GENERALLY ATTRIBUTED TO WINNIE MANDELA (BPA MEMBER) IN SUNDAY EXPRESS INTERVIEW OF AUGUST 8. KRUGER IS ALSO QUOTED AS STATING THAT HE INTENDS TO EXTEND APPLICATION FO PREVENTIVE DETENTION SECTIONS OF INTERNAL SECURITY ACT TO ALL OF SOUTH AFRICA AS OF AUGUST 12. HERETOFORE, THESE SECTIONS AONLY APPLIED TO TRANSVAAL. KRUGER SAID REASON WAS "SPORADIC RIOTING" IN OTHER PROVINCES.

2. COMMENT: SAG HAS BEEN ADAMANT IN HEWING TO "LAW AND ORDER" LINE. STATEMENTS BY PM, MINISTER OF INFORMATION CONNIE MULDER, AND KRUGER OVER LAST FEW DAYS HAVE HAD THIS CENTRAL THEME. PM SAID IN "TO THE POINT" INTERVIEW THAT SAG WOULDN'T BE "RAILROADED INTO PANIC". MULDER SAID IN SPEECH OF AUGUST 9 IN MARICO CONSTITUENCY THAT IF CHOICE HAD TO BE MADE BETWEEN LAW AND ORDER AND INDIVIDUAL FREEDOM, THEN FORMER WOULD BE CHOSEN AND "TO THE DEVIL WITH FREEDOM OF THE INDIVIDUAL". OF COURSE, THERE IS SOME ELECTIONEERING RHETORIC HERE, AS NP TRIES TO APPEAL TO CONSERVATIVE ELECTORATE IN MARICO, BUT SAG SEEMS INTENT ON ASSURING WHITE POPULACE THAT VIOLENCE WILL BE CONTAINED AND BLACK POPULACE THAT VIOLENCE WILL NOT WIN CONCESSIONS. KRUGER HAS MADE IT CLEAR ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS THAT HE WILL NOT TALK WITH BLACKS UNTIL UNREST SETTLES DOWN AND ONLY IF THEY ARE REPRESENTATIVE (SEE REFTEL). THUS, HIS REFUSAL TO SEE BUTHELEZI MAY STEM IN PART FROM THIS POSITION. ON THE OTHER HAND, HE IS PROBABLY GENUINELY PIQUED AT MANDELA INTERVIEW AND PROBABLY SEES IN BPA LEADERSHIP AN ELEMENT OF BLACK SOCIETY MORE MILITANT THAN HE WOULD WISH. AFTER FIRST SOWETO VIOLENCE SAG INDICATED THAT IT WOULD GIVE MORE POWER TO URBAN BANTU COUNCILS AND IT IS PROBABLY THROUGH THEM THAT IT WOULD RATHER DEAL. HOWEVER, WITH BLACK YOUTH ALREADY DISTRUSTFUL OF ESTABLISHED LEADERSHIP, PARTICULARLY UBC, BUT EVEN BPA, AND ON HEELS OF PM'S STATEMENT IN INTERVIEW MENTIONED ABOVE THAT "DOOR IS OPEN TO HEAR...GRIEVANCES", KRUGER'S REFUSAL WILL NOT HELP DEFUSE TENSIONS IN BLACK AREAS.

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